GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:150
ANSWERED ON:26.02.2009
DEVELOPMENT OF ECO TOURISM
Mandal Shri Sanat Kumar

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of central financial assistance released to each State Government/Union Territory administration for development of Eco-tourism during the last three years;

(b) the details of the projects for which these funds were provided alongwith the funds actually spent by the State Governments/UTs on these projects; and

(c) the further steps being taken by the Union Government for the growth of Eco-tourism in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a), (b) & (c): A Statement is laid on the table of the house.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.150 ANSWERED ON 26.02.2009 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF ECO-TOURISM.

(a), (b) & (c): Development and promotion of Tourism projects including Eco-tourism is primarily the responsibility of State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations concerned.However, Ministry of Tourism extends Central Financial Assistance (CFA) to the State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations for development of tourism including Eco-tourism under the Product/Infrastructure Development for Destinations & Circuits Scheme of the Ministry,on the basis of proposals received from them,subject to availability of funds and inter-se priority.The list of projects sanctioned for development of Eco-tourism in the last three years is annexed.

Implementation of the projects is the responsibility of the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations.The Ministry, however,monitors the progress through review meetings with State Governments /Union Territory Administrations officials and site visits from time to time.The first instalment of fund is released when the project is sanctioned.The subsequent instalment is released only on receipt of utilization certificate for previous instalment.

The Ministry of Tourism promotes all tourism products of the country including eco-tourism through collaterals/print/ electronic and internet media under the "Incredible India" campaign.Information is also disseminated through the website www.incredibleindia.org and India tourism offices in the country and abroad.

ANNEXURE
STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.150 ANSWERED ON 26.02.2009 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF ECO-TOURISM.
Central Financial Assistance provided to State Governments/UT Administrations in last three years till date for development of Eco-tourism.

(Rs. in lakh)

STATE	Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Year of Sanction	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
Andhra Pradesh	1	Development of Laknavaran Lake as Eco -tourism destination in Warangal Distt.	2006-07	468.63	337.90
Aruna-chal	2.	Development of Dolma Park at Lumla	2008-09	170.00	136.00
Pradesh	3	Development of Tourism Infrastructure near Pakhui Wild life Sanctuary at Seijosa, East Kameng Distt.	2007-08	336.51	269.21
Assam	4.	Eco-tourism development at Kokrajhar	2005-06	460.00	368.00
	5.	Circuit development of Manas-Guwahati - Kaziranga	2005-06	781.00	624.80
	6.	Development of Eco-tourism at Haflong	2007-08	63.47	50.77
Haryana	7	Development of Eco-tourism in Kalesar	2007-08	319.00	255.20

	8 Development of Eco-tourism in Morni- Pinjoire Hills and Sultanpur National Park	2007-08	329.00	263.20
Himachal Pradesh	9 Development of Eco-tourism in Himachal Pradesh	2007-08	368.22	294.57
	10 Tourism Development & Environment Preservation Scheme	2007-08	25.91	5.19
Karna- taka	11 Development of Wilderness Tourism Circuit	2006-07	226.88	204.20
	12 IT Infrastructure for Eco-tourism by M/s. Jungle Lodges and Resorts	2005-06	53.29	26.64
Kerala	13. Development of Elephant Park at Punnathur Kotta, Guruvaur, Distt. Thrissur	2005-06	349.50	279.80
	14. Development of Ranipuram as Eco-tourism Destination	2006-07	357.01	285.60
	15 Malabar Mangrove Eco-tourism Circuit in Malapupura, Kozhikode, Kannur and Kasargode Districts	2008-09	349.36	279.49
Manipur	16. Development of Eco-tourism Park at Imphal	2006-07	345.29	172.64
Madhya Pradesh	17. Development of Panna as Tourist Destination	2006-07	421.66	337.00
Naga- land	18. Integrated Development of Mon as Eco-Adventure & Culture destination	2008-09	452.76	362.20
Orissa	19. Development of Eco-tourism at Bhitarkanika	2006-07	383.22	191.61
	20. Development of Simlipal, Distt. Maurbhanj	2006-07	297.12	237.70
Sikkim	21. Construction of Indian Himalayan Centre for Adventure and Eco-Tourism at Chemchi	2007-08	389.54	311.63
Uttara- khand	22. Development of rural tourism (Eco- tourism) in Devriyatal at Village Sari, District Rudraprayag	2005-06	45.14	36.00
	23. Development of Corbett National Park as a Tourist Circuit	2007-08	602.00	481.60
Uttar Pradesh	24 Destination Development in Dudhwa National Park	2005-06	312.60	250.08
	25 Development of Katerniaghat Park Wildlife Sanctuary in Distt. Baharaich	2005-06	105.00	84.00
West Bengal	26 Development of Eco-tourism circuit in and around Jhargram, Distt. Paschim Mednipur	2007-08	666.55	533.24